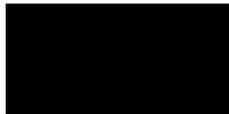


**TO:** Mayor Savage and Members of Executive Standing Committee



**SUBMITTED BY:**

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Jacquie Gahagan, Chair, Women's Advisory Committee

**DATE:** April 4, 2024

**SUBJECT:** **Women's Advisory Committee – Request for Leave of Absence**

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**ORIGIN**

Women's Advisory Committee April 4, 2024, Item 11.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Administrative Order Number 2023-001-Gov, *Respecting Public Appointments to Committees of Council and External Boards*, Leaves of Absence:

52. In the event that a member of a Committee of Council requires a leave of absence for more than three consecutive regular meetings, that member shall submit such a request to the Office of the Municipal Clerk, which shall submit the request to the appointing body for its consideration.
53. The approval of a request for a leave of absence is in the sole discretion of the appointing body.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Women's Advisory Committee recommends that Executive Standing Committee grant Councillor Becky Kent a leave of absence from Women's Advisory Committee meetings until April 30, 2024.

## **BACKGROUND**

As per Administrative Order Number 2023-001-Gov, the Municipal Clerk's Office received a request for a leave of absence from Councillor Becky Kent effective April 4 to April 30, 2024 from the Women's Advisory Committee due to personal reasons. The Municipal Clerk's Office brought the request to the Women's Advisory Committee for consideration at their April 4, 2024 meeting.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Women's Advisory Committee considered the request and approved the recommendation the Executive Standing Committee as outlined in this report.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

No financial implications were identified.

## **RISK CONSIDERATION**

No risk considerations were identified.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

The Women's Advisory Committee is comprised of 5 citizen members and 2 Councillors. Meetings are live webcast on Halifax.ca. The agenda, reports, video, and minutes of the Committee are posted on Halifax.ca.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

No environmental implications were identified.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

The Women's Advisory Committee did not provide alternatives.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

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